

Remarks

A. Claims in the Case

Claims 1, 3-4, 7, 10, 12-18, 21-24, 26-27, 37, and 43 are pending. Claims 2, 5-6, 8-9, 11, 19-20, 25, 28-36, 38-42, and 44-70 have been cancelled. Claims 1, 3-4, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 21, 23, 27, and 37 have been amended.

B. Summary

A fee authorization is enclosed to cover fees due in association with the filing of this and accompanying documents. If any extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time. If additional fees are required or if any fees have been overpaid, please appropriately charge or credit those fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzl, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5838-06602/EBM.

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